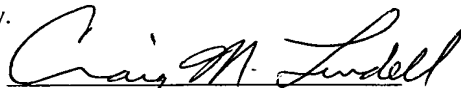


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In response to the Office Action mailed February 16, 2006, Applicant submits the following amendments and comments: